CNA INSURANCE COMPANIES

September 10, 1996

Mr. Donald Neilson
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Ave. N.W.
Washington D.C. 20420
Office Symbol: 045A4

Reference: Freedom of Information Act request

Dear Mr. Neilson:

Our company has provided Case Management services to veterans in the Central Florida area for the past year. The contract under which we were providing services was to expire as of 09/30/96. Because of this fact a bidding process started in late January 1996. Continental Rehabilitation Resources, Inc. a division of the CNA Insurance Companies submitted a bid by the dead line of 02/29/96.

We have been orally informed that the contract was awarded to three companies but that we were not one of the companies chosen. We have also found out that one of the companies that was chosen under bid us by one dollar.

We would like to request a copy of all the bids that were submitted for the Orlando Area Case Management Services Contract. The Solicitation Number is 516-037-96. The Contracting Officer is Cathy L. Johnson. Her address is:

V.A. Medical Center A&MMS, Bldg 22, RM 411, (90G) Attn: Cathy L. Johnson 10000 Bay Pines Blvd. Bay Pines, FL 33504

I would appreciate your help in this matter. Our address is P.O. Box 140986 Orlando, FL 32814-0986. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 677-2313.

Sincerely,

Pablo E. Nieves, M.S., C.R.C.

Case Manager

cc: Cathy L. Johnson, Contracting Officer Roger Rumney, C.P.I.C. VA Office Orlando



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November 7, 1996

Pablo E. Nieves Case Manager CNA Insurance Companies P.O. Box 140986 Orlando, FL 32814-0986

Dear Sir:

This is to provide a final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated September 10, 1996, concerning Solicitation Number 516-037-96 at the VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, Florida. Your request was referred to me for response as the FOIA Officer for the Veterans Health Administration Headquarters, Washington, DC. I apologize for the delay in responding.

I have talked with Cathy Johnson at the Bay Pines VAMC and have been advised that your request has already been satisfied by the medical center staff. There is no further information available from the headquarters office.

I hope the information you have already obtained is helpful.

Sincerely,

Celia Winter FOIA/Privacy Act Officer Veterans Health Administration Headquarters, Washington, DC

cc: 045A4